COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Legislative Session 2020, Legislative Day No. <u>27</u>

Bill No. <u>118-20</u>

Mrs. <u>Cathy Bevins</u>, Chair By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, November 16, 2020

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

The 2020-2021 Current Expense Budget Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund Dept. of Commerce Restaurant Relief Grant Emergency Measure

FOR the purpose of amending the 2020-2021 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from state funds and made available to the County through the Maryland Department of Commerce as a result of the COVID-19 public health catastrophe and public safety emergency; and providing for the effective date of this Act.

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Commerce has made an award of state funds available to the Baltimore County Department of Economic and Workforce Development, to make grants to restaurants within Baltimore County to promote and encourage stabilization within the hospitality and restaurant industry; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from bill. Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 306 and 712(a) of the Baltimore County
Charter and Section 10-6-102 of the Baltimore County Code, 2015, as amended, the County
Council may accept gifts and grants, appropriate same to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue
Fund and expend the same, said fund having been established solely for the purpose of
accounting for certain monetary gifts and grants made available to the County for restricted
purposes; and

WHEREAS Section 308(f) of the Baltimore County Charter provides that by the affirmative vote of a majority plus one of the total number of county council members established by the Charter any law or ordinance shall be declared an emergency measure affecting the public health, safety or welfare, in which event the same shall take effect from the date of enactment; and

WHEREAS, such fund remains open perpetually as a mechanism to account for the respective gift and grant appropriations and expenditures throughout the entire term of the grant period, including beyond the current expense budget fiscal year; now therefore

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE

COUNTY, MARYLAND, pursuant to the power and authority conferred upon it by Sections 306

and 712(a) of the Baltimore County Charter and Section 10-6-102 of the Baltimore County

Code, 2015, as amended, that the Current Expense Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30,

2021, be and is hereby amended by appropriating state funds made available to the Baltimore

County Department of Economic and Workforce Development, in the amount herein specified,

to the following program:

- 2 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
- 3 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council is declared an emergency measure
- 4 affecting the public health, safety or welfare and shall take effect from the date of enactment.